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In re application of : **Confirmation No. 6817**  
Richard GRIFFITHS et al. : Docket No. 00263/JMH/JM/1172-US  
Serial No. 08/973,363 : Group Art Unit 1632  
Filed February 4, 1998 : Examiner R. Schnizer  
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ACCOUNT NO. 23-0975

**PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME**

Assistant Commissioner for Patents,  
Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

Petition hereby is made for a three month extension of time to respond to the communication of  
September 18, 2001.

The fee of \$460.00 is

(X) submitted herewith.  
( ) to be charged to Deposit Account No. 23-0975. A duplicate copy of this Petition is  
enclosed.

(X) Small entity status of this application is established by the verified statement under 37  
CFR 1.9 and 1.27 which  
( ) is enclosed.  
(X) has been previously submitted.

Respectfully submitted,

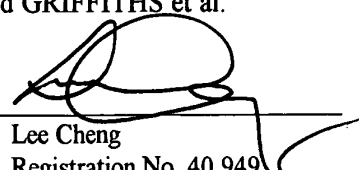
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